

C H A P.
XXIII.A Saving to
Infants,
Femme
Coverts, &c.

any such Cause of Action accruing, within the Age of One and Twenty Years, *Femme Covert, Non compos Mentis*, Imprisoned, or beyond the Seas; that then such Person or Persons shall be at Liberty to bring the said Action or Actions, within the respective Times before limited, after their coming to, or being of, full Age, sound Memory, at large, or returned from beyond the Seas, as other Persons having no such Impediment, might or should have done.

Persons ab-
senting out of
the Province,
or removing
from County
to County,
shall have no
Benefit of this
Limitation.

IV. And forasmuch as divers Disputes formerly arose, whether Persons absenting the Province, or wandering from County to County until the Time by the late Act, for the Reasons and Purposes aforesaid limited and allowed, were expired, should have any Benefit thereby; and different Judgments given thereon in the several and respective Counties within this Province, for that the said Act was altogether silent; *Be it therefore Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid*, That from and after the Publication hereof, no Person or Persons whatsoever, absenting themselves out of this Province, or that shall remove from County to County, after any Debt contracted, whereby the Creditor or Creditors may be at an Uncertainty of finding out the said Person or Persons, or his or their Effects, shall have any Benefit by the Limitation or Restriction in this Act specified.

Proviso in
Favour of
such as re-
move, &c.
for Conveni-
ency, or leave
Effects suffi-
cient to pay
their just
Debts.

V. *Provided always*, and it is the true Intent and Meaning hereof, That this Act, or any thing herein contained, shall not be construed, reputed or taken, to prejudice or debar any Person removing himself or Family, from one County to another, for his Conveniency; or any Person, leaving this Province for the Time and Term in this Act limited, from the Benefit thereof; he leaving Effects sufficient and known, for the Payment of his just Debts, in the Hands of some Person or Persons, who will assume the Payment thereof to his Creditors; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.

No Specialty
whatsoever
(except to the
Use of his
Majesty, &c.)
to be good
and pleadable
after Twelve
Years, &c.Except In-
fants, &c.

VI. And be it further Enacted, *by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid*, That no Bill, Bond, Judgment, Recognizance, Statute Merchant, or of the Staple, or other Specialty whatsoever, except such as shall be taken in the Name, or for the Use of our Sovereign Lord the King, his Heirs and Successors, shall be good and pleadable, or admitted in Evidence against any Person or Persons of this Province, after the principal Debtor and Creditor have been both Dead Twelve Years, or the Debt or Thing in Action above Twelve Years standing: Saving to all Persons that shall be under the aforementioned Impediments of Infancy, Coverture, Insanity of Mind, Imprisonment, or being beyond the Sea, the full Benefit of all such Bills, Bonds, Judgments, Recognizances, Statutes Merchant, or of the Staple, or other Specialties, for the Space of Five Years after such Impediment removed; any thing in this Act before mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Examined and Compared with the Original Act, REVERDY GHISELIN,
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C H A P. XXIV.

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An ACT to declare how the Forty Pounds of Tobacco per Poll, in such Parishes where there is no Incumbent, shall be disposed of. *Lib. LL. N^o 4. fol. 160.*

Preamble.

Defects of the
Act of 1702,
cb. 1.

WHEREAS by an Act of Assembly, made at a General Assembly begun and held at the Port of *Annapolis*, the Sixteenth Day of *March*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and One, entitled, *An Act for the Establishment of Religious Worship in this Province, according to the Church of England, and for the Maintainance of Ministers*, there is no Provision made where there is a Vacancy, or no Incumbent in a Parish, how or to what Use the Forty Pounds of Tobacco per Poll shall be applied: Therefore the Burgesses and Delegates of this present General Assembly pray that it may be Enacted;

II. And